



# World Food Prize Michigan Youth Institute

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## Educational Poster Guide

*Educational posters can help visually reinforce information. They are a tool that may help individuals discuss a topic while aiding in retention and recall of information.*

An educational poster is optional for the World Food Prize Michigan Youth Institute (WFPMIYI) and a supplement for participants to use when presenting/discussing one's Challenge Paper. It does **not** replace submitting the required research paper. **Posters will be submitted electronically by April 19** on the [World Food Prize Foundation's Michigan Youth Institute webpage](#). With help from WFPMIYI staff and volunteers, youth posters will be electronically available for participants to use as a communications tool during their brief roundtable conversations. Participants will also be given the option to have their posters evaluated by MSU Extension, WFPMIYI staff and expert volunteers following the May 9 event.

Follow the [MSU Library Research Posters: Best Practices](#) and these requirements.

### **Template**

- Use either of the PowerPoint templates 1 or 2

### **Graphs, graphics, and photos**

- Each one used needs the source included
- Source (caption) font size should be at least 14
- No more than 2-5 images to be used
- Anything used off the internet must be free, common use, and/or properly sourced

### **Text**

- Must be easily read from 2-4 feet away
- Use bullet points - preferably no more than two lines per bullet
- A color theme may be used - see tips from MSU Library
- Bolding may be used to accent titles, headings, etc.
- Stick with simple font styles such as Times New Roman or Arial

### **Formatting**

- Poster title is the paper title
- Include the youth author's name in the upper right corner of the poster slide and delete author 2 and author 3 lines. The youth name should be the same as used on the Challenge paper title page.
- Poster must be submitted in PDF (.pdf) or Microsoft PowerPoint format (.pptx) formats. *(Please note: If the PowerPoint file size exceeds 10 MB, the presentation will need to be converted to PDF format in order to submit your poster on the submission website)*
  - **Sizing**
    - Title size - minimum of 2 inch letters, size 50
    - Topic headings are the sections of the challenge paper.
    - Suggested size is 30-35
    - Body text no less than 24 font size
  - **Color**
    - Body text black
    - Titles and headings may be colorful; maintain visual appeal
    - Overall look should be neat, clean, and visually appealing

Questions may be referred to Deb Barrett at [smithde6@msu.edu](mailto:smithde6@msu.edu).

**Poster submission deadline: April 19, 2024**